

Table 2. Mean Absolute Percentage Error in State Population Projections, By Region And Division From Series A and B, And Extrapolated Projections, 2000

Region and division	Series A	Series B	Extrapolation
United States	2.63	2.44	2.54
Northeast	2.50	2.57	3.15
New England	2.42	2.58	3.51
Middle Atlantic	2.67	2.55	2.43
Midwest	1.58	1.40	1.11
East North Central	1.54	1.36	1.07
West North Central	1.60	1.43	1.14
South	2.60	2.58	2.69
South Atlantic	3.50	3.50	3.90
East South Central	0.89	0.87	0.86
West South Central	2.29	2.21	1.79
West	3.75	3.13	3.22
Mountain	4.41	3.91	3.88
Pacific	2.69	1.89	2.16

Mean absolute percentage error (MAPEs) are results for 5 years-out from the 1995 population. Based on the enumerated 2000 census counts, the 2000 population for Series A, B, and Extrapolated Projections derived from the Absolute Percentage Errors calculated for the states and the District of Columbia, see text for detailed explanation. Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census.

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